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his commitment to residents is genuine

Public Hearing Set to Consider UDOT Request

by Mayor Scott Harbertson

LEGRANDE E. GREGORY

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The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, September 26, 2006. Under consideration is a UDOT plan to preserve a 300-foot wide corridor paralleling and including the old D&RG tracks in west Farmington, as illustrated in the aerial photo on page 2. Prior to the hearing, UDOT will hold an open house from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Both the open house and the hearing will be held at the Community Arts Center located at 120 South Main Street. As this is a significant issue, the City Council and I will be attending.

This UDOT request will impact the Farmington area. It is important for interested citizens to become informed by attending both the open house and the public hearing.

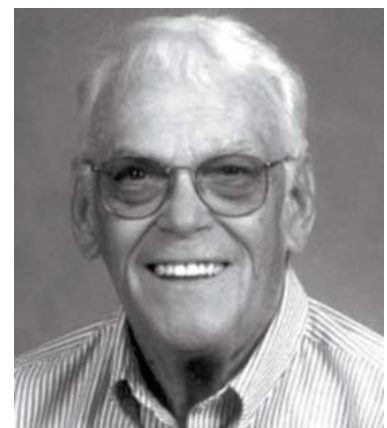
The City's elected and appointed officials are committed to open government and open access to

information. Please note the following:

- The request for adding this corridor to the City's Master Transportation Plan is a UDOT request and not a City proposal.
- The City has been asked by UDOT to support its request. Presently, no decision has been made by the Planning Commission, me, or the City Council to either support or oppose the proposal.

- Citizens should know the proposal has broad support of Davis and Weber County legislators because they believe this corridor could provide an alternate to the I-15/ US-89/ Legacy Parkway interchange complex. UDOT and the northern Utah legislators are seeking City approval for the preservation corridor, which would then allow use of the State Corridor Preservation Fund for purchasing properties
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UDOT requests a 300-foot wide transportation corridor along the old "D&RG" tracks.



LEGRANDE E. GREGORY, age 84, passed away Wednesday, August 9, 2006. LeGrande was born September 30, 1921, in Farmington, Utah. He served for 12 years (1966-1978) as Farmington's Mayor and 10 years as a Councilman. In addition to the many improvements that were made under Mayor Gregory's leadership, in 1966 and 1968, Farmington received the National Beautification Award.

Farmington Christmas
is seeking a chairperson
to work with a
great group of
volunteers.
Please contact
Andrea at 451-8989 or
opfars@aol.com

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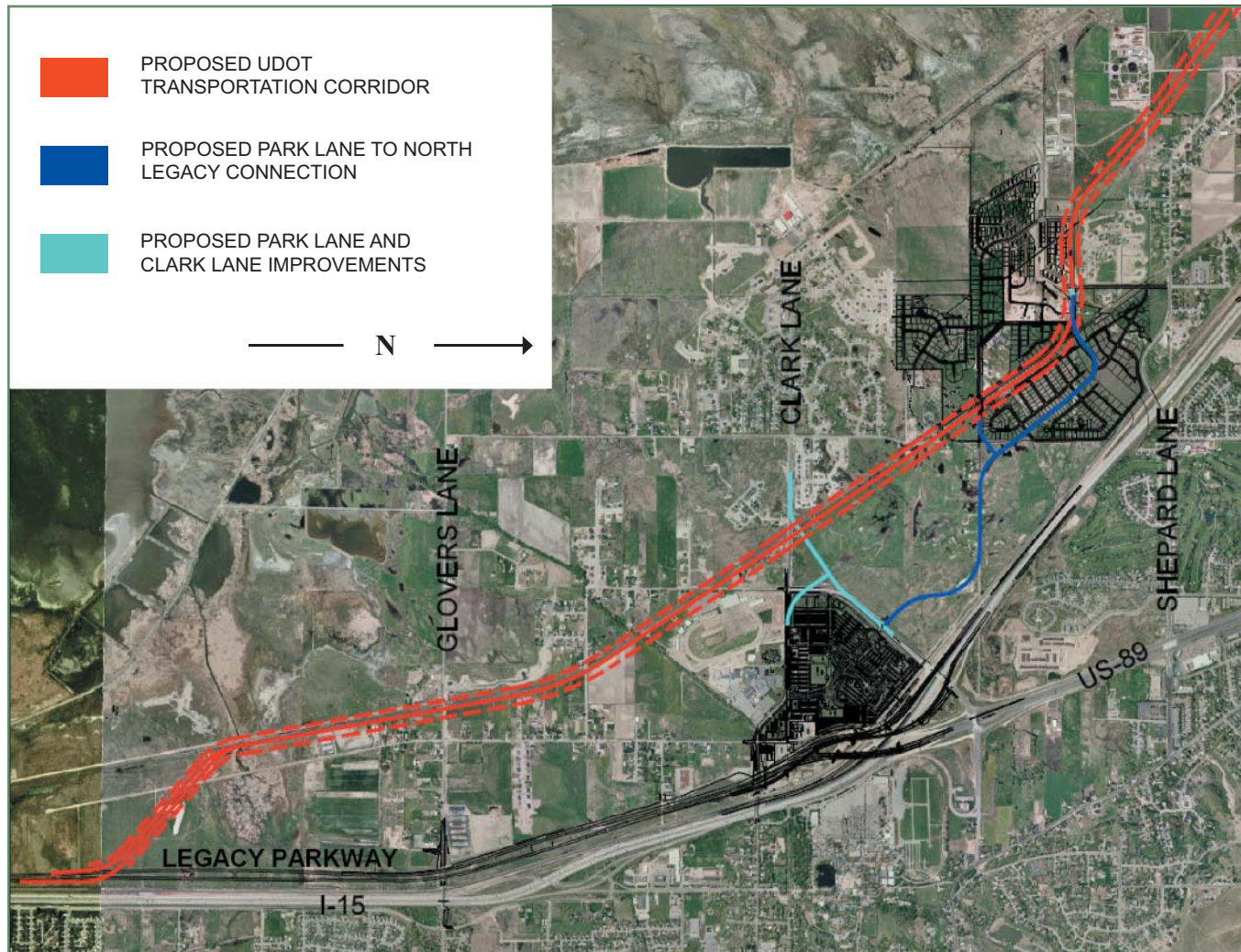
within the corridor prior to development.

- Whether it is ever approved and built is another matter that

would likely be determined subsequent to a federal and state required environmental process.

Residents who want to share their opinions about UDOT's proposal

can provide comments in one or more of the following ways: [1] Send an e-mail to the Planning Commission, [2] Send a written letter to the Planning Commission and/or [3] Provide verbal comments at the hearing. ■



OTR Changes Original Townsite Residential

A public hearing to consider changes to the text of the Original Townsite Residential (OTR) Zone is set before the City Council on Tuesday, September 19, 2006. The hearing will be held during or immediately after the regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on this matter (see August Farmington Newsletter for details) recently and will present their recommendation to

the City Council for consideration. The public is invited to come to the meeting and give written and/or oral comments. City Council meetings are held at the City Offices, 130 Main, at 7:00 pm. ■

Attention Old-House Owners

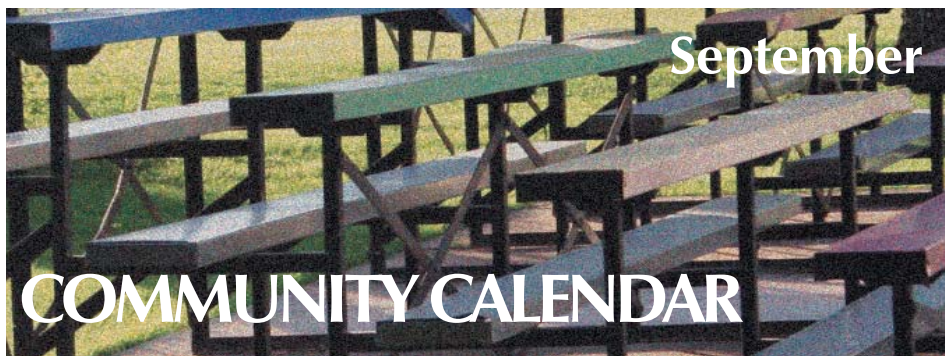
Farmington City Historic Preservation Commission is offering a workshop on how to submit a nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

Details: Contact Alysa Revell at 447-4397 or alysa_revell@yahoo.com or go to www.farmington.utah.gov

New Ways to Pay Your Utility Bill

Xpress Bill Pay

Did you know that Farmington is now accepting credit and debit cards for utility bill payments? You can pay online at www.farmington.utah.gov through Express Bill Pay Service, or in person at the City Hall. Monthly bills can be withdrawn from your checking account or, as always, payments can be mailed to the City Hall or paid in person. ■



Mon 4	Happy Labor Day/ City Offices Closed Swimming Pool Closes for the Season	7:00 pm
Tues 5	City Council Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm/ for agenda see www.farmington.utah.gov
Wed 6	Town Hall Meeting: <i>An open forum discussion with Mayor Harbertson and a City Council Member</i>	7:00 pm/ no agenda open discussion
Fri 8	Registration Ends: Youth Volleyball & Little Tykes Jr. Jazz Basketball	Leisure Services closes at 5:00 pm
Thurs 14	Planning Commission Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm/ for agenda see www.farmington.utah.gov
Sat 16	Historic Museum Open House 110 North Main Street	10:00 am - 4:00 pm
Tues 19	City Council Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm/ for agenda see www.farmington.utah.gov
Wed 20	Town Hall Meeting: <i>An open forum discussion with Mayor Harbertson and a City Council Member</i>	7:00 pm/ no agenda open discussion
Thurs 21	City Trails Committee Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm
Sat 23	Youth Volleyball Begins	8:00 am Farmington Jr. High
Mon 25	Registration Begins: Girls Jr. High Basketball Competitive League	8:00 am Leisure Services
Tues 26	Public Hearing/ UDOT Proposal Community Arts Center	5:00 pm open house 7:00 pm hearing
Thurs 28	Planning Commission Meeting 130 North Main Street	7:00 pm/ for agenda see www.farmington.utah.gov
Thurs 28	Youth Theatre Auditions for "Babes in Toyland"	7-9:00 pm
Fri 29	Registration Ends: Girls Jr. High Basketball Competitive League	5:00 pm Leisure Services
Sat 30	Youth Theatre Auditions for "Babes in Toyland"	9:00 am - 12:00 noon

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Parks451-2624
Leisure Services451-0953
Building Inspection.....451-2383
Water Department.....451-2624
Planning & Zoning.....451-2383
Historical Museum.....451-4850
Animal Control444-2200
Garbage825-3800
Benchland Water District...482-4929
Weber Water District.....771-1677

After Hours Emergency

Davis County Sheriff451-4150
Emergency911

Public Meetings

City Council: Generally the first and
third Tuesday of the month at 7pm
in the Council Chambers. Work
Sessions begin at 5:30 pm.

Planning Commission

Generally the second and fourth
Thursday of the month at 7 pm in
the Council Chambers.

Farmington City Hall

130 North Main
P O Box 160
Farmington, Utah 84025

Leisure Services

the arts
FARMINGTON CITY ARTS COUNCIL

Youth Theatre Auditions for "Babes in Toyland"

will be held on Sept 28th from 7-9 pm and Sept 30th from 9 am-noon at the Community Arts Center, 120 S Main. Ages 8-21 are invited to audition. Be prepared to sing and read from the script. All materials will be available at the door. \$15.00 participation fee is due at audition time. A parent needs to be present. Everyone will be able to participate, audition is for placement only. Rehearsals will be on Tues, Thurs & Sat. Performance dates are Nov 16th, 17th & 18th.

CALLING for VOLUNTEERS

On September 23rd, volunteers are wanted to help make improvements to the Pretty Valley Section of the Davis Creek Trail. Call Paul Hlas at 915-3758 for additional information, or visit Farmington's website and click on Parks and Trails. See you there!



"Arsenic & Old Lace"

Fall Dinner Theatre will be performed on the evenings of Oct 12th, 13th & 14th at 7:00 pm, with a matinee at 1:00 pm on the 14th.

A refreshing breath of screwball comedy, mixing the madcap, the surreal and the sinister into one of Cary Grant's very best films. Grant is a man plunged into confusion, surrounded by the craziest people to live on the planet, including his two innocently homicidal aunts, his brother who thinks he's Teddy Roosevelt, his other (also homicidal) brother who looks like Boris Karloff and Peter Lorre's wonderfully macabre plastic surgeon, Dr. Einstein.

As things get weirder, madder and more and more frantic, the pace never lets up--continuously spiraling toward its screwy climax. Tickets sell out quickly, so do not miss out! Ticket prices are \$12.00 per person for the evening's dinner and show, and only \$6.00 for the matinee. Tickets need to be purchased by Oct 6 and can be purchased at Leisure Services or online at www.farmington.utah.gov. Performances will be held at the Community Arts Center, 120 S Main.

Girls Jr. High Basketball Competitive League

Registration begins
Sept 25 @ 8:00 am
Leisure Services or online
www.farmington.utah.gov

Partner 'n Play

This preschool age program is designed to stimulate imagination and improve social behavior. A parent or guardian must attend with child.

Chinese Cooking

Learn how to make quick, easy, authentic and healthy Asian foods. Instructor Mei-Ling Dawson is a wonderful and popular chef.

Karate

Gymnastics

Farmington Leisure Services joins North Davis Gymnastics in offering balance beam, bars, tumbling and vault. Participants will learn the basic moves and philosophy of gymnastics.

Youth Anger Management

Aggression Replacement Therapy, taught by Jeff Gregson MS, LPC, is a highly respected and recognized program.

Yoga

Go to www.farmington.utah.gov for a complete list of classes, fees, locations & times.

Fire & Rescue Open House
October 11, 2006
6:00 - 8:00 pm

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK
OCTOBER 8-14, 2006

Prevent Cooking Fires

**Watch What
You Heat**



In conjunction with National Fire Prevention Week, Farmington Fire Department will be holding their annual Fire & Rescue Open House. The entire family is invited to share in fun activities.

For fire safety tips, please visit www.farmington.utah.gov. Follow the links to the Fire Prevention Week site.

**Farmington Public Works
Making Our
Sidewalks Safe**



During the fall and winter months, Farmington City crews grind down any tripping hazards on sidewalks. Grinding down the raised sections of concrete is necessary for safety, reducing liability issues for both the City and the homeowner.

If you have an area that needs grinding, please call the Public Works Department at 451-2624 x 5.

*Thank You for
Driving Safely*

The Farmington City Police Department encourages safe driving in school zones to help protect children on their way to and from school. The law requires drivers to go no faster than 20 mph through posted school zones at certain times of the day, and to stop at crosswalks when a crossing guard is helping children cross the street.

Drivers should not proceed through a crosswalk in any of the following situations:

- Turning through a green traffic light if, after turning, the driver proceeds through a crosswalk in which a guard is standing;
- Going through a crosswalk after children have passed in front of the car, even though the guard is still standing in the crosswalk;
- The children or the guard are not safely to the curb.

Drivers should be aware that, in order to protect our children, Farmington City Police will issue citations to those who violate school zone and crosswalk safety laws. Citations may even be issued when violations are reported by a crossing guard.



Would you like to receive automatic email updates from Farmington City?

It's as easy as clicking your mouse. You can join the following email group mailings by going to www.farmington.utah.gov and simply clicking the **Email Lists** that interest you.

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**Historical
Museum
Celebrates**

Saturday, September 16th has been declared a statewide "Celebrate Your Museum" Day. Museums all across Utah will be participating. The Farmington Historical Museum, located at 110 North Main Street, will be open from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm on that day. Exhibits include images of the early businesses, farms, families, schools, homes, and cultural activities that shaped Farmington's rich history. Museums offer something for the whole family, and we hope you will support our own museum as well as those in neighboring communities.

The Farmington Historical Museum is open every Wednesday from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm and is available for scheduled visits. If you have questions, please contact Annette Tidwell at 451-2357 or Julia Haugen at 451-7356.

CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS BOND RESOLUTION

The City Council has unanimously passed a resolution authorizing a special bond election to be held during the General Election on November 7, 2006. Farmington's voters will determine whether to authorize General Obligation Bonds (the least burdensome financing tool) up to \$3,750,000 in order to finance three City projects:

1

A new Police Station (approximate size 13,000 sq. ft.) to service the growing population. The station would most likely be located near the County Criminal Justice Complex.

2

An addition to City Hall and some remodeling to existing space (the expansion would increase the size of City Hall from 7800 sq. ft. to about 14,000 sq. ft.).

3

Remodeling the Police & Fire Station at 82 North 100 East to provide living quarters for additional firefighters. Fire response could then be provided 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

Reasons for the Project:

Fire

Full-time fire coverage cannot be accommodated without moving the police station.

New homes, more expensive homes, and an increase in the value of existing homes all make improved fire protection a priority. Moving the police force into a new home is the first step toward meeting this goal.

Police

The police department has outgrown their available space. Nationally, police officer standards recommend 1/1000 (1 officer per 1000 residents) in a community. Most of Davis County cities meet that standard; however, Farmington falls short, with a ratio of 1/1350. Furthermore, an increase in population often correlates with increase in crime. In 1990, Farmington's population was 9,000. Today, the population is approximately 16,000. At build-out, which will likely occur in 10-15 years, the population is projected to be 27,000. Realistically, the Police Department will need to more than double its current staff of 15—which requires more space.

The City has collected police facility impact fees paid by developers, which will help pay part of the cost of the building.

City Hall Addition & Remodel

There is no space to house the additional employees that will be needed as Farmington continues to grow. The existing building was completed in 1984, when the population was around 6,000 and eight employees were sufficient. Now there are 17 employees, and within ten years, that number will certainly increase.

The remodel will enable the City to integrate the historic City Hall (the building is currently used as a museum) into a new government complex. You might say we're bringing City Hall back home by integrating the two buildings.

The remodel will also allow the City to implement certain structural improvements that are not ADA compliant.

Building costs are increasing dramatically, while the cost of borrowing is favorable at the present time. During the past four years, office-related building costs have accelerated at an average rate of ten percent. Local contractors are saying the current rate of increase is about a half percent per month. Fortunately, municipal financing rates are much more stable. It is anticipated that the Municipal General Obligation Bond lending rate will be somewhere between 4.25 and 5%.

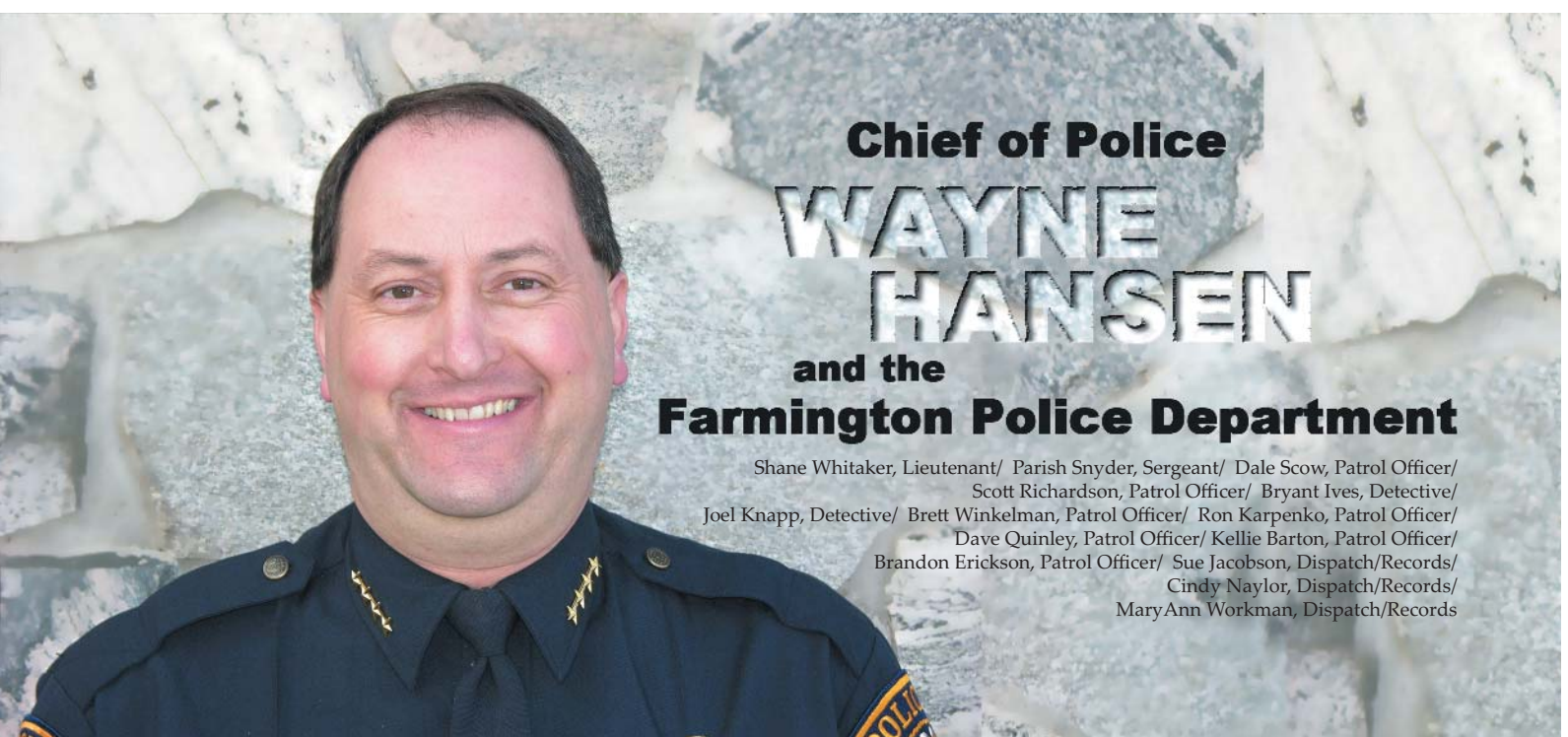
Repayment of debt is feasible without a tax increase.

The City pledges no increase in tax rates to pay for these proposed buildings. The property tax rates will be kept at the same level.

The City Council Wants You...

Farmington News is your newsletter. Help give it a name by voting online at www.farmington.utah.gov. You can also cast your vote in person at the City Office, 130 North Main. The names, submitted by Farmington residents, are listed on page 8.

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Chief of Police **WAYNE HANSEN** and the **Farmington Police Department**

Shane Whitaker, Lieutenant/ Parish Snyder, Sergeant/ Dale Scow, Patrol Officer/
Scott Richardson, Patrol Officer/ Bryant Ives, Detective/
Joel Knapp, Detective/ Brett Winkelman, Patrol Officer/ Ron Karpenko, Patrol Officer/
Dave Quinley, Patrol Officer/ Kellie Barton, Patrol Officer/
Brandon Erickson, Patrol Officer/ Sue Jacobson, Dispatch/Records/
Cindy Naylor, Dispatch/Records/
MaryAnn Workman, Dispatch/Records

For Wayne Hansen, there's no better place in the world to raise a family than the communities in Davis County. As Police Chief of Farmington, it's part of his job to keep it that way. While Farmington retains many of the characteristics of a quiet, rural town, it is not immune to change, nor to the problems that arise when a city and the communities surrounding it grow. But Chief Hansen's commitment to residents is genuine, and his focus on preventative policing and community involvement are preserving the safe atmosphere Farmington residents have known for decades.

After obtaining a degree in criminal justice, Chief Hansen joined the Farmington Police Department, where he has served happily for the past 16 years. As growth in Farmington accelerates, Chief Hansen faces the challenge of protecting more people and homes with a staff of only 12 officers, three dispatchers, and an office that is simply overcrowded. In addition to being a city in transition, Farmington is the county seat and home to

Lagoon—both of which increase policing needs. Daytime traffic intensifies, and the daily population surges far beyond the number of Farmington residents. Chief Hansen believes that this is a challenge best addressed by a cooperative effort. Attentive, engaged citizens are a great asset to police officers whose workload is very heavy. Chief Hansen welcomes calls from residents—even if someone is taking a vacation and wants to notify the department that his/her home will be vacated. More information means better preventative polic-

ing. Additionally, precautions like locking doors and good lighting really make a difference. In terms of policing, the old adage "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" aptly applies.

Growing up in Davis County and raising his own family here have given Chief Hansen a particular fondness for the people he serves, whom he considers not simply residents, but neighbors and friends. He feels blessed to work with people who share his devotion to the values and the community we share. ■



(Bond Resolution continued)

New growth in assessed valuation (new residential and non-residential buildings citywide) will generate sufficient new property taxes to pay for debt retirement on the bonds. Once the bonds that were issued for the swimming pool and Public Works building are retired, tax dollars allocated for this debt service will be used to repay the new debt. In the event that the bond election does not pass, the taxes on a primary residence valued at \$200,000 would drop by approximately \$22.00 per year.

We're interested in your feedback and thank you for your support. ■

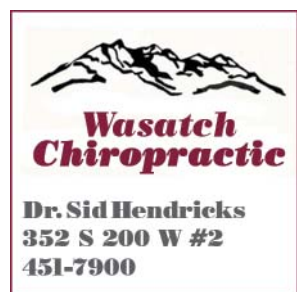
Davis Reads is a county-wide effort to encourage reading by all residents. For this year's book list, call Amy Siegel 451-0525.



Want to help a child read? For volunteer opportunities call Heidi Poulter at 451-7034. Details are on-line www.farmington.utah.gov

Newsletter Name Submittals

- ☞ A Touch of Home
- ☞ Branches of the Farmington Family Tree
- ☞ Faces of Farmington
- ☞ Facets of Farmington
- ☞ Farmington Crier
- ☞ Farmington Crossing: Covering the Heart of Davis County
- ☞ Farmington Facts & Fun
- ☞ Farmington Family Newsletter
- ☞ Farmington Focus
- ☞ Farmington Forum
- ☞ Farmington News
- ☞ Field Stones: Farmington City News & Events
- ☞ Shades of Farmington: Covering the Heart of Davis County
- ☞ The Farmington Cannon
- ☞ The Farmington Legacy
- ☞ The Farmington Shade: Covering the Heart of Davis County
- ☞ The Farmington Tree: Reaching Out to Neighbors in The Heart of Davis County
- ☞ The Many Faces of Farmington



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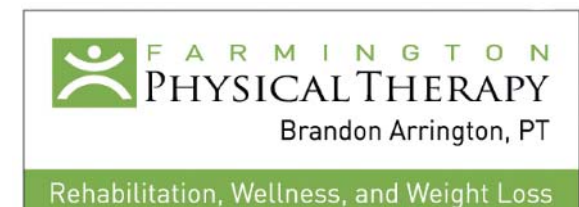
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